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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications & Energy Commonwealth of Massachusetts One South Station, Second Floor Boston, MA 02110

Re: DTE 06-56; Joint Stipulation and Motion to Extend Proceeding

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Pursuant to the Arbitrator's verbal ruling on the parties' request for abeyance, the undersigned counsel for the parties in DTE Docket 06-56, Charter Fiberlink MA-CCO, LLC ("Charter") and Verizon New England Inc., d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts ("Verizon"), hereby request that the Department modify the procedural schedule and reschedule the hearing date to October 10, 2006.

Further, the Parties consent to an extension of the schedule in this proceeding such that "Day 1" of the Parties' negotiations shall be deemed to be February 25, 2006, and "Day 270" shall be deemed to be November 22, 2006. As such, the parties agree and acknowledge that the Department Order in this proceeding may be issued on, or before, November 22, 2006.

Please contact the undersigned counsel for Charter or Verizon if you have any questions about this matter. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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cc: Carol Pieper, Arbitrator DTE 06-56 Service List